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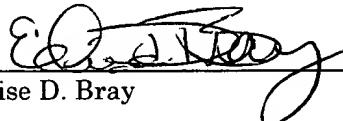
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Elise D. Bray

Application Number : 09/772,100
Filing Date : January 26, 2001
Inventor(s) : Prem S. Singh
Title : HIGH TEMPERATURE METHOD FOR BROWNING PRECOOKED, WHOLE MUSCLE MEAT PRODUCTS
Group Art Unit : 1761
Examiner Name : Nina Bhat
Docket No. : 42892/KMO/C945

Date: February 19, 2003

MAIL TO: Box RCE

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

This application is **not** an application of the kind specified in 37 CFR § 1.114(e).

1. THE STATUS OF THE APPLICATION IS AS FOLLOWS:

a. Pending (no review proceedings active)

(1) An Action was mailed by the Office on ___, as to which no appeal under 37 CFR § 1.191 has been filed and
____ a response under 37 CFR § 1.116 was mailed on ___,
____ via Express Mail
____ with certificate of mailing under 37 CFR § 1.8
____ that Action was a Final Rejection, the finality of which is to be withdrawn by this Request
____ an appeal or civil action under 35 U.S.C. 141,145 or 146 has been terminated

(2) Allowed: the Notice of Allowance was mailed by the Office on November 22, 2002

the Issue Fee has not been paid
____ the Issue Fee has been paid and a petition under 37 CFR § 1.313 was granted on ___

b. Pending (with review proceeding active)

An appeal under 37 CFR § 1.191 has been filed. Applicant(s) hereby withdraw that appeal and request reopening of the prosecution of the application.

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2. SUBMISSION(S) REQUIRED (check at least one)

a. Previously submitted

Consider the amendments/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed
on _____
 Consider the arguments in the Appeal or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 Other: _____

b. Enclosed

Amendment/Reply
 Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 Information Disclosure Statement
 Documents under 37 CFR § 1.48
 Petition for Extension of Time
 Other: _____

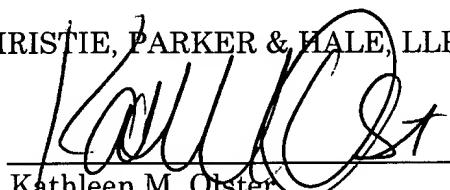
The Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned promptly following receipt and initial review of the application in light of the Submission(s) for the conduct of, or the scheduling of, a telephone interview in the application.

Please address all correspondence to **CHRISTIE, PARKER & HALE, LLP, P.O. Box 7068, Pasadena, CA 91109-7068**.

Respectfully submitted,

CHRISTIE, PARKER & HALE, LLP

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
FEE CALCULATION SHEET

Application No. 09/772,100

PART I - BASIC FEE

BASIC FEE	Small Entity \$375.00	Large Entity \$750.00	750.00
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Part II - ADDITIONAL CLAIMS (compared to application before RCE)

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra Claims	Small Entity Rate	Large Entity Rate	FEE
Total Claims	52	* 52	0	x \$9.00	x \$18.00	-0-
Independent Claims	4	** 4	0	x \$42.00	x \$84.00	-0-
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim				\$140.00	\$280.00	-0-
TOTAL CLAIMS FEE						\$0.00

List Independent Claims: 1, 16, 30 and 48

* IF THE "HIGHEST NUMBER OF TOTAL CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR" IS LESS THAN 20, WRITE "20" IN THIS SPACE.
** IF THE HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID OR IS 3 OR LESS, WRITE "3" IN THIS SPACE.

3. FEES (*The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.*)

- a. Amount (total from Fee Calculation Sheet)
A check for \$750.00 is enclosed.
- b. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required for this transaction to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. A duplicate copy hereof is enclosed.

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